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## NOTES AND QUERIES

ADDITIONAL CATCH-WORDS. — In a previous compilation of mythological catch-words "already suggested," <sup>1</sup> I confined my attention almost exclusively to those intended to designate North American motives. In the following list I include a number of terms used by Mr. Joseph Jacobs, <sup>2</sup> Miss M. R. Cox, <sup>3</sup> and Andrew Lang, <sup>4</sup> translations or equivalents of designations employed by Frobenius <sup>5</sup> and Stucken, <sup>6</sup> and several new catch-words proposed by the writer.

#### Jacobs

Advice disobeyed.

Confused identity.

Grateful animals.

Magic bean-stalk. Applicable to any magically rising resting-place transporting the hero to an upper world.

Resuscitation.

Thyestian dish. A character is served with the flesh of his relatives.

Feejojum (Frobenius's Menschenwitterung). The ogre scents the presence of a human being.

Cox

False or substituted bride.

Revivified bones.

Villain Nemesis.

Menial hero, or heroine.

Counter-tasks. The tester is himself subjected to trials.

Eating-taboo.

#### Lang

Nuptial taboo. The hero is enjoined from intercourse with his wife for a limited period of time.

Skin-shijter. The hero, by donning and doffing an animal skin, assumes and discards the character of the animal.

#### Frobenius

All-devourer (All-Verschlingen). The monster has swallowed all the people. They are subsequently rescued by the hero.

Hydra (Drachenköpfe).

Tell-tale hand-mark (Handabdruck). A clandestine lover is identified by the mark made on his robe or skin by his mistress's hands.

Arion. The hero is borne home on a water-animal's back.

Land-angler (Landangelmythen). The hero (Maui), throwing out his fish-hook, captures a whale, from which the earth develops.

- 1 "Catch-Words for Mythological Motives," Journal of American Folk-Lore, 1908, vol. xxi, pp. 24-27.
- <sup>2</sup> The International Folk-Lore Congress, 1891, "Papers and Transactions," London, 1892, pp. 87-98.
  - Marion Roalfe Cox, "Cinderella," London, 1893.
- 4 Introduction to "The Most Pleasant and Delectable Tale of the Marriage of Cupid and Psyche," London, 1887.
  - <sup>5</sup> Leo Frobenius, "Das Zeitalter des Sonnengottes," Berlin, 1904.
  - <sup>6</sup> Ed. Stucken, "Astralmythen," Leipzig, 1896–1907.

Polycrates. A fish swallows a ring or gem which is ultimately recovered. World-parents (Welteltern). Earth and sky, the parents of the world, are originally joined as mates; they are separated.

Sham doctor (Trugheilung). The hero, in the guise of a physician, kills the

injured enemy.

Old-woman ally (Hilfsalte).

Hot-rock missile (Glutstein). The monster is killed with a heated rock. Eye-opening injunction (Augenöffnungsverbot).

#### Stucken

Pandora's casket.

Lemnos. All the women live segregated from the men (Blackfoot).

### Newly proposed

Star-husband.

Trickster's handicap. The trickster who has obtained food by his cunning, stakes it on his winning a race against an apparently inferior opponent (Hare and Tortoise type). In order to equalize the chances, he weights one of his legs and loses the race.

Guardian buttocks.

Lecherous father. Coyote and his daughters.

Disguised flayer. The flayer disguises himself in his victim's skin.

Piqued buffalo-wije. A buffalo-cow married by an Indian is offended by his (or her rival's) actions, and departs with her child for the buffalo-camp, where the pursuing husband is subjected to tests.

In a recent contribution to the Journal, Professor Kroeber comments on several of the catch-words suggested by the writer. I gladly acknowledge the justice of his criticisms, with, however, two exceptions. A catch-word must be brief, it ought to be self-explanatory; and it is desirable that motives varying from the norm, but obviously related in essence, be designated by a relatively slight modification of the terminus technicus. Old Man of the Sea is long, and requires reference to Sinbad for perfect clearness, which would render the phrase altogether too cumbersome. Burr-woman is not only short and unequivocal, but admits of a change to Burr-man or Burr-rock. As for Invisible missile, I admit that the term is not wholly unambiguous, but believe its brevity adequately compensates for the deficiency, in view of the fact that the "much more common shamanistic belief" referred to by Professor Kroeber is not so common as the crucial point on which a story of comparative interest hinges.

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A Tewa Sun Myth. — The following myth was given me by Clara True, white teacher at Santa Clara pueblo, N. Mex., and was obtained by her from José de Jesus Narangho, and again from Francesco Narangho.<sup>2</sup>

Montezuma, the Sue-Boy, had for his mother a poor and despised Indian girl. Every fall the people of the pueblo went to the mountains to gather

<sup>1 &</sup>quot;Catch-Words in American Mythology," Journal of American Folk-Lore, 1908, vol. xxi, pp. 222-227.

2 Afterwards governor of the pueblo.